GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Agriculture - Strengthening of A.P community managed natural farming - Designating Sri T. Vijay Kumar, IAS (Retd) Executive Vice-Chairman of "A.P Rythu Saadhikara Samstha" as Ex-Officio Special Chief Secretary to Government with independent charge of natural farming/ZBNF within the Agriculture Department with required sections & Budget head – Orders – Issued.

General Administration (Political A) Department

G O Ms No.99 **Dated 17-09-2020.**
Read the following :-

1.G O Rt No. 280, G A (Political A) Department, dated 07.02.2020.
2.G O Rt No. 338, G A (Political A) Department, dated 19.02.2020.

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ORDER

In the G O 1st read above, Sri T. Vijay Kumar, IAS (Retd.) was appointed as Executive Vice-Chairman of the "Andhra Pradesh Rythu Saadhikara Samstha" in the rank of Special Chief Secretary to Government for a period of two years from the date of assumption of charge of post and it has also been stipulated that he shall be responsible for the implementation of A.P. Community Managed Natural Farming Programme / Zero Budget Natural Farming (ZBNF) and shall work in convergence with field functionaries of Agriculture Department & Village Secretariats.

2 The programme is being implemented by the "A.P Rythu Saadhikara Samstha", in Agriculture & Cooperation Department and planned to expand in all mandals of the State. In this context, Government wishes to promote natural farming in a big way so that the livelihoods of all farmers in the State are improved.

3 Government after careful examination hereby order that Sri T. Vijay Kumar, IAS (Retd) Executive Vice-Chairman of A.P. Rythu Saadhikara Samstha be designated as Ex-Officio Special Chief Secretary to Government with independent charge of Natural Farming / ZBNF and all related matters in addition to existing duties within the Agriculture and Cooperation Department with required sections and budget head with immediate effect. He should look after all related Government of India Schemes, State Government Schemes, Grants, Grants from philanthropies and CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility) within the country and also other countries and international agencies, NABARD, NCDC, other financial institutions pertaining to Natural farming / ZBNF.

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4. The General Administration (SC.F) Department should ensure allocating one exclusive Joint Secretary / Deputy Secretary to Government for Natural Farming within the Agriculture & Cooperation Department. The Agriculture & Cooperation Department shall earmark one exclusive section consisting of Section Officer and two Assistant Section Officers, one Data Entry Operator (DEO) for the Natural Farming Wing within the Department. The budget / schemes in respect of Natural Farming will be handled by Ex-officio Special Chief Secretary to Government in the Secretariat. Finance Department will take appropriate action in this matter.

5 The staff / officers of Agriculture Department who are deputed to A.P. Rythu Saadhikara Samstha will continue to work in that organization. The field level Officers in Agriculture Department shall continue to attend the work relating to A.P. Community Managed Natural Farming.

6 The Agriculture & Cooperation Department / the General Administration Department shall take necessary further action to that effect.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

NILAM SAWHNEY
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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Executive Vice-Chairman, AP Rythu Saadhikara Samstha.
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The Finance (BG) Department.
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